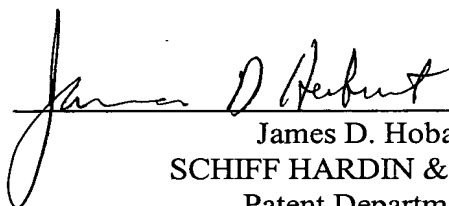


remove the reference numerals and to remove multiple-dependency; claims 18 and 19 have been added to recite the invention in slightly different terms and claim 17 has been represented as claim 20 to place it in form for examination in the United States Patent Office.

5 It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-16 and 18-20 are patentable over the prior art of record and are allowable.

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